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Dear Sir:

Preliminary Amendment

Prior to examination of this Continuation Application, kindly amend the application as follows:

Please cancel claims 9 and 11 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 15 and 19 as follows:

1. (Three times amended) A technique for bilevel printing of an image or figure comprising:

providing an inkjet printhead having a nozzle pitch of a first resolution;

creating a higher resolution bitmap which resolution is greater than the first resolution;